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USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT INVESTS IN BACKUP GENERATOR FOR THE CITY OF WEAUBLEAU

In a ceremony on November 17, 2010, Anita J. (Janie) Dunning, Missouri State Director for USDA Rural Development, announced funding for the purchase and installation of a backup generator for the City of Weaubleau. The Rural Development Community Facility Disaster Grant of \$13,500 will be leveraged with the City of Weaubleau's \$4,534 contribution to finance the total cost of \$18,034.

"I'm pleased to hear that the City of Weaubleau is receiving crucial funds to purchase and install a backup generator for the community," U.S. Senator Claire McCaskill said. "Providing the necessary resources to help a community during emergency situations is critical to the health and well-being of its citizens."

"This is a great partnership effort when everyone works together for a common goal of



Pictured, left to right: Kim Burton, Area III Specialist, Rural Development; Sheila Chaney, City Clerk; David Rauch, District Director, Office of U.S. Senator Claire McCaskill; Anita J. (Janie) Dunning, MO State Director, Rural Development; C.R. "Dick" Thompson, Mayor of Weaubleau; Roland Faith, Alderman; Marvin Stewart, Alderman.

providing an emergency backup generator for the community," said Dunning. "This project mirrors USDA Rural Development's mission of being committed to the future of rural communities. I want to personally thank everyone that has worked together to make this project a reality. Special thanks are extended to our federal elected officials for making available the federal funds for these kinds of projects."

Anyone seeking more information about the Community Facility program or any other USDA Rural Development programs may visit the homepage at http://www.rurdev.gov/mo or by contacting the Clinton Area Office at 1306 North 2nd Street, Clinton, MO 64735 or by calling (660) 885-5567- ext 5.

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